26 SEPTEMBER1961 (CHECKLIST) (COPY)

- 1. COMMUNIST REACTIONS TO PRESIDENT'S UN ADDRESS.
- A. MOSCOW HAS NOT GONE BEYOND A BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT, BACKPAGED IN PRAVDA REPEAT PRAVDA, NOTING THE GENERAL TOPICS BAISED IN THE SPEECH. OF MORE INTEREST IS THE NEWSPAPER'S REPRINTING, IN THE SAME ISSUE, OF A RECENT ARTICLE ON THE PRESIDENT BY JAMES WECHSLER IN THE NY POST REPEAT NY POST. AMONG THE PASSAGES IN THE ARTICLE IS THE FOLLOWING: "COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA TRIES TO EQUATE ALL AMERICAN ACTIONS WITH VICIOUS INTRIGUES OF WALL STREET IMPERIALISTS...IF KHRUSHCHEV BELIEVES THIS DOCTRINAIRE NONSENSE THEN HE IS A MADMAN AND WE ARE ALL DOOMED;"

 B. CHINESE COMMUNISTS DISMISS THE SPEECH AS THE "USUAL EMPTY PROPAGANDA;"
- C. THE EAST GERMANS HAVE CONCENTRATED ON CONDEMNING THE STATEMENTS ON THE GERMAN PROBLEM, BUT POLISH, RUMANIAN AND CZECHCCOMMENTARIES HAVE CENTERED THEIR CRITICISMS ON US DISARMAMENT PROPOSALS. THEY NOTE THE PRESIDENT'S EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE, BUT DENY SEEING ANY SIGNS OF A DEPARTURE FROM STANDARD US FORMULATIONS;
- D. BELGRADE, HOWEVER, HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE SPEECH DESERVES CAREFUL STUDY AND NOTED A "POSITIVE" APPROACH TO DISARNAMENT;
- E. THE CUBANS OUTDO THE BLOC, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE CHINESE, IN UNCONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM:
- F. INITIAL INDIAN COMMENT SAYS THE ADDRESS IS REGARDED BY MANY AS A STRIKING REFLECTION OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S FLEXIBILITY AND FAIRNESS THE PRESIDENT'S FRIENDLY REFERENCES TO THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE ARE NOTED.
- 2. CONGO: A. THE CEASE-FIRE IS STILL IN EFFECT IN KATANGA BUT REMAINS FRAGILE. FOUR ETHIOPIAN JETS, FOR THE UN, INTENDED TO NEUTRALIZE TSHOMBE'S TWO JETS, ARE EXPECTED INLLEOPOLDVILLE MOMENTARILY

THERE.

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- C. SUKARNO APPARENTLY FEELS HE HAS A FAIRLY FIRM COMMITMENT FOR A PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO INDONESIA. RETURNING TO DJAKARTA RECENTLY, HE INDICATED AS MUCH TO OUR AMBASSADOR, WHO NOW EXPECTS THE INDONESIANS TO FOLLOW-UP ON THE INVITATION.
- D. THERE WAS SUCCESSFUL SOVIET TEST VEHICLE LAUNCH TO THE KAMCHATKA

 AREA LAST EVENING.

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- E. YESTERDAY ADENAUER TOLD A BRITISH TV AUDIENCE HE IS THINKING OF RETIRING. "I HAVE NO INTENTION OF HAVING FOUR MORE YEARS. I HAVE HAD ENOUGH."

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